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### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Guy Yonay on November 17, 2004.

- 2. The application has been amended as follows:
  - a. in claim 52, line 3, insert a colon after "comprising";
  - b. in claim 52, line 4, insert --an-- before "encoder";
  - c. in claim 148, line 5, delete ", transmitted at the highest transmission rate";
  - d. in claim 150, lines 1-2, change "comprises filling" to -fills-;
  - e. in claim 151, line 2, insert a colon after "comprising";
  - f. in claim 151, line 3, insert --an-- before "encoder";
  - g. in claim 151, line 15, delete ", transmitted at the highest transmission rate";
  - h. in claim 151, line 25, change the semi-colon to a period;
  - i. in claim 153, lines 1-2, change "comprises filling" to --fills--;
  - j. in claim 154, line 1, change "wherein said dispatcher comprises" to further comprising--;

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- k. in claim 154, line 3, change "plurality of modern elements" to --said dispatcher--;
- I. in claim 155, line 1, change "wherein said collector comprises" to -further comprising-; and
- m. cancel claim 163.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: prior art of record does not teach or suggests in combination a means or method for selecting the parameters for codewords generated by an encoder wherein the codewords are distributed to a plurality of modem elements for transmission over a plurality of twisted-pair lines and wherein the means or method is comprised of the limitations as recited in claim 52, lines 19-36 and claim 106, respectively. Furthermore, prior art of record does not teach or suggests in combination an apparatus for transporting a high speed data stream over a channel of a plurality of low bandwidth twisted copper pair lines wherein the apparatus is comprised of the dispatcher recited on lines 9-20.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. York (US Patent No. 5,680,400) and Hui et al. (US Patent No. 6,198,749 B1) disclose splitting a high speed data stream into low speed signals.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Betsy L. Deppe whose telephone number is (571) 272-3054. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (8:30-4:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jay Patel can be reached on (571) 272 - 2988. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Betsy L. Ďeppe Primary Examiner Art Unit 2637